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1. The Tesla Roznov plant in Roznov pod Radhostem (P 50/O 54) was located about 800 meters west of the railroad station, just north of the Roznov - Val. Mezirici railroad line. Every Friday, the director of the Tesla Roznov plant visited a Tesla plant located in Vrchlabi, which indicated a close connection between the two plants. 1
2. The tube plant was newly constructed after WW II. In 1949, the Tesla Concern took over and completed the factory buildings which had been under construction for the Kunert-Warnsdorf stocking plant. The construction work was accomplished by the Vsetin branch office of the Prumstav state owned company for industrial building projects. In two five- or six-story plant buildings, production had already started. The construction of a third building had started in late 1952. The plant was equipped with a chemical and a technical laboratory.
3. As was generally known in Roznov, since a great part of the population worked in the plant, the production included tubes for all types of radios and, in the eastern workshop, also special tubes for radar sets; furthermore all sizes of light bulbs for flashlights, motor vehicle lamps, household and street lamps and, in one department, fluorescent lamps. In the western workshop, the glass bulbs for light bulbs, neon lamps, radio tubes etc. were produced. Lamps and tubes were assembled in the eastern plant building. Radar and television sets would be produced in a third building still under construction.
4. Most of the machinery available at the plant was of Czech origin. A Czech who worked in the production department stated that the electric welding apparatus for wires in light bulbs and radio tubes was of Dutch origin and that because it was not available in Czechoslovakia such equipment had to be imported illegally and to be shipped back illegally to the Netherlands for repairs. Source helped on the assembly of automatic varnishing machine for mica sheets which drew the mica sheets through an insulating lacquer bath and dried them automatically, which previously had been done manually with

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fine brushes by women.

5. Most of the products were packed in cardboard boxes which in turn were shipped in wooden crates, about 75 x 100 x 150 cm. Some of the shipments went to the Central Tesla Office in Prague and to Vrchlabi, while parts of the products were trucked for storage to the big Zbrojovka Vsetin spot in Vsetin, which had been used by the Wehrmacht during the war and fell undamaged into Czech hands. The products shipped to Vsetin were referred to as "Radare" (sic) in the plant. No further information was available.
6. Steam was produced by the plant-owned boiler house. Since the power supplied by the factory power plant did not cover the requirements, additional power was received from a power plant near Trebovice on the Orpa river, located six kilometers west of Ostrava. The plant owned ten trucks.
7. The plant was guarded by armed industrial police. A special security office issued gate passes with photographs which had to be extended every month. No precautionary air raid measures were observed.
8. Until about late 1951, the position of the plant director was held by Graduate Engineer Schlesinger (fnu) who allegedly was replaced because of political unreliability. A Bulgarian was chief of the chemical laboratory. In late 1952, the work force included about 1,000 laborers working in the production department and about 300 employees working in the technical and chemical laboratory and in the administration. Work was done in three shifts including one main shift during the day. There was no production work on Sundays. The laborers, however, frequently had to volunteer to work in so-called brigades doing clearing, construction, and transport work. Fifty to 60 percent of the work force were women including about 300 Greek women who had been deported by the Communists during the civil war. They lived in small rooms in a plant-owned boarding house and were generally well treated by the Czechs. German experts or prisoners were not employed at the plant. During 1952, the plant was visited by various civilian commissions and one Soviet-Czech military commission which came during the spring of 1952.

25X1A 1. ☐ Comment. The Tesla plant, , in Vrchlabi (Hohenelbe) previously a plant of the Lorenz Firm in Berlin, now a branch plant of Tesla Roznov, produced electron tubes and housed the development department for vacuum techniques.

25X1A 2. ☐ Comment. For plant layout of the Tesla Plant in Roznov see Annex.

Enclosure: Sketch of Plant (1 page- Army, Air, ORR)

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Legend.

A Tube Plant

- 1 Western production building
- 2 Eastern production building

Both five- or six-story buildings, about 40 x 100 meters, were modern steel frame buildings with concrete footings with large windows and a flat asphalted roof.

- 3 Production building under construction. The foundations were completed on schedule by late 1952, the superstructure was to be started on 1 May 1953. The building covered an area of about 40 x 100 meters. In late 1952 about 400 construction laborers of various construction firms worked on the building. There was enough construction material available.

- 4 Boiler house and power plant with brick smokestack.

- 5 Five or six-story brick building, so-called boarding house for unmarried women.

The building housed a material store and, in the basement, the plant kitchen.

- 6 Loading ramp

- 7 Main gate

- 8 Side gate

- 9 Wire mesh fence, 1 to 1.2 m high, on ^{brick} foundations, about 1 meter high

B MCB Weaving Mill

C Roznov Railroad Station

D Inn

E So-called Ringplatz

F Park

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